GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

HM & FW Department – Certain complaint of Women harassment against Dr.B. Ramesh Babu, DTBCO, Chittoor filed by Dr. Y. Pushpalatha, Sr. M.O., DRTB Centre, Chittoor (Contract Basis) – Departmental Proceedings under rule 20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control & Appeal) Rules, 1991 - Articles of charge – Orders - Issued.

HEALTH, MEDICAL AND FAMILY WELFARE (VC.II.2) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 49 **Dated: 04-02-2021.**
Read the following:-

From the DPH&FW, AP, Vij, Lr.Rc.No.13102/VC.IIA/2019, dt.13.03.2020

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O R D E R:

It is proposed to hold an enquiry against Dr. B. Ramesh Babu, DTBCO, Chittoor in accordance with the procedure laid down under Rule 20 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control & Appeal) Rules, 1991.

2. The substance of the imputation of misconduct or misbehavior in respect of which the inquiry is proposed to be held is set out in the enclosed statement of article of charge (Annexure-I). A list of documents by which and a list of witness by whom the article of charge is proposed to be sustained are also enclosed in (Annexure-II, III & IV).

3. Dr. B. Ramesh Babu, DTBCO, Chittoor is directed to submit his written statement of defence within (15) days of the receipt of this order.

4. Dr. B. Ramesh Babu, DTBCO, Chittoor is informed that an inquiry will be held only in respect of the article of charge not admitted. He should, therefore, specifically admit or deny the article of charge.

5. Dr. B. Ramesh Babu, DTBCO, Chittoor is further informed that if he does not submit his written statement of defence on or before the date specified in Para-3 above, further action will be processed based on the material available.

6. The attention of Dr. B. Ramesh Babu, DTBCO, Chittoor is invited to rule 24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964 under which no Government servant shall bring or attempt to bring any political or outside influence to bear upon any superior authority to further his interest in respect of matter pertaining to his service under the Government. If any representation is received on his behalf from another person in respect of any matter is dealt within these proceedings, it will be presumed that he is aware of such representation and that it has been made at his instance and action will be taken against him for violation of Rule 24 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

ANIL KUMAR SINGHAL
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Dr. B. Ramesh Babu, DTBCO, Chittoor
through the Director of Public Health & Family Welfare, AP, Vijayawada.
(2 copies to serve and return).
The Director of Public Health & Family Welfare, AP, Vijayawada.
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ANNEXURE – I

ARTICLE OF CHARGE FRAMED AGAINST DR.B.RAMESH BABU, DISTRICT TB CONTROL OFFICER, CHITTOOR DISTRICT.

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ARTICLE OF CHARGE :

That Dr.B.Ramesh Babu, DTBCO, Chittoor District has committed the acts of sexual harassment against Dr.Y.Pushpalatha, Sr.M.O. DRTB Centre, Chiittoor working on Contract Basis.

Thereby, he failed to maintain absolute integrity and devotion to duty and violated Rule-3(C) of APCS (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

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ANNEXURE – II

STATEMENT OF IMPUTATION OF MISCONDUCT AND MISBEHAVIOUR IN SUPPORT OF DRAFT ARTICLE OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST DR.B.RAMESH BABU, DISTRICT TB CONTROL OFFICER, CHITTOOR DISTRICT.

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As per the allegations against Dr.B.Ramesh Babu, DTBCO, Chittoor District on sexual harassment filed by Dr.Y.Pushpalatha, Sr.M.O., DRTB Centre, Chittoor (Contact Basis). The Collector & District Magistrate, Chittoor District has constituted a Committee consisting of following 4 Officers for conducting an enquiry on the allegations:-

1. Smt.K.M.Kamala Kumari, Joint Collector II, Chittoor District
2. Smt.G.Usha Phanikar, Project Director (WD&CW Agency), Chittoor
3. Smt.S.Lakshmi, Chief Executive Engineer, SETVEN.
4. Dr.Smt.P.Saralamma, DCHS, Chittoor District.

Accordingly, the Committee has conducted the enquiry and furnished their report wherein their findings is as follows:

As per version of most of the staff he was mindful of his job and was strict in extracting work, reports etc, from his subordinates and insisted staff to be prompt and attend the duties and give correct reports in time to place Chittoor District in first among all the district in the state. However, Dr.Pushpalatha has given call records as evidence which discloses about his enquiring with Dr.Y.Pushpalatha over phone whether she knows recent gossip and she replied that she does not know and requested him to tell what is happened, he informed that the rumour is that “he and she are having link”. Thereby guilty is sustained on the part of Dr.Ramesh Babu that he committed that acts of sexual harassment against Dr.Y.Pushpatha.

Thus, he is liable for disciplinary action.

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ANNEXURE – III

LIST OF DOCUMENTS BY WHICH THE DRAFT ARTICLE OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST DR.B.RAMESH BABU, DISTRICT TB CONTROL OFFICER, CHITTOOR DISTRICT.

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1. Rc.No.335/E1A/2019, dt.20.08.2019 of the District Medical & Health Officer, Chittoor.
2. Lr.No.5/A5/2019, dt.14.08.2019 of Asst. Project Director, District Women & Child Dev., Agency, Chittoor
3. Letter Rc.No.13102/VC.II.A/2019, dt.15.11.2019 of the Director of Public Health & Family Welfare, AP, Vijayawada.
4. Govt. Memo.No.21023/26/2019/VC.II.2-01, dt.31.01.2020 from the HM&FW Dept, AP, Secretariat, Velagapudi.

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ANNEXURE – IV

LIST OF WITNESSES BY WHOM THE DRAFT ARTICLE OF CHARGE FRAMED AGAINST DR.B.RAMESH BABU, DISTRICT TB CONTROL OFFICER, CHITTOOR DISTRICT.

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-Nil-

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